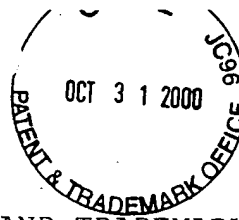


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AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 2, 2000, the period for responding thereto having been extended not more than three months after the date of August 2, 2000, set for response in the Office Action, please amend the subject application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Amended) An address management method in a communication system equipped with a plurality of terminals, a server [having an address table] for [storing] registering a corresponding relationship between a

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